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Mollenhoff, Clark R.

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CIA Man Sues Tofte, Others

A CIA security officer has sued ex-CIA agent Hans V. Tofte, Mrs. Tofte, [✓]Cowles Publications reporter Clark R. Mollenhoff, two Cowles newspapers and Metromedia, Inc., owner of television station WTTG, for \$750,000 in damages, charging they libeled him.

Charles D. Speake claimed in the suit, filed in District Court here, that his reputation and his future with the agency had been injured by statements made last year alleging he had participated in the theft of valuable jewelry belonging to Mrs. Tofte.

Mr. Tofte was fired by the CIA last fall after its agents had removed official documents from his Georgetown home. The Toftes subsequently reported to police the loss of jewelry they valued at \$20,000.